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JAVA.LONG SUCCESSION OF MURDERS.  
OUTBREAK FIRMLY SUPPRESSED.

Further reports are to hand of the recent Communist disorders in Java and the very successful manner in which the Dutch authorities dealt with an outbreak marked by the methods of assassination and intimidation inherent in Communist activities. A message from Batavia dated November 23rd, states that the assistant Wedana of Tjening, and several native policemen, have been murdered. The Wedana of Laboan was seriously wounded by a shot from the Communists, but was able to make good his escape.

Reports from Laboan indicate that things there were very serious, but detachments of soldiers and field-police blockaded the roads and had matters well in hand. At Menes, Serang and Pandelang, the police force were strengthened and attempts by Communists to commit further ravages were counteracted. Railway traffic between Menes and Laboan was held up, but since then through communication has been established under military control.

## Railway Overseer Murdered.

Mr. Benjamin, an overseer of the States Railways, at Menes, has been murdered. A native telephone-operator at Menes who saw the Communists coming out of the house of the Wedana, after they had killed him and his whole family, reported the matter and detachments of soldiers and field-police were despatched to the spot.

Reports since received from Serang and Menes and from mid and east Java state that everything there is peaceful. At Bantam, the troops in trying to quell the disturbances, had a 24 hour fight with the Communists, who had to retire before the soldiers.

The assistant Wedana of Laboan was found murdered in a motor car, but fortunately his wife was not molested. Peaceful natives living in the kampongs between Menes and Laboan have migrated to other districts in large numbers.

## Severe Fighting at Tjiamis.

A report from Semarang states that a body of 200 Communists, in the neighbourhood of Tjiamis, attempted to murder the assistant Wedana of Oeloejam. The Communists were armed with knives and revolvers. The assistant Resident took severe measures in dealing with the Communists and, with a small body of men, threatened to shoot them on the spot; he was successful in arresting 15 of them, but the others made good their escape.

Three hundred Communists in the district of Tjiamis proceeded to the house of the Regent of Tjiamis, and it is believed that severe fighting took place. Fortunately, the Regent who had been warned, escaped from the premises.

Mr. van Neden, the assistant Resident of Tjiamis, was also fortunate in being able to get away with his aged mother and his wife. The Resident of Tasikmalaja was also warned in time. The police were called out and patrolled the town.

## Notorious Leaders Arrested.

Several Communist leaders having discovered that their plans did not meet with the success they had expected, have dispersed and one of the most notorious of them has been arrested in Cherbon in the person of Moesjaja.

Reports received from Sourabaya, state that several notorious members of the P.K.I., the native Communist society, have since arrived there from Batavia, and the police in endeavouring to locate their whereabouts, succeeded in arresting Mohamed Ali, a well-known Communist agitator, and others. All Communists arrested have been placed on board the Government steamer Zwaan and are in charge of the marines in the harbour of Tanjung Perak.

## Position at Weltevreden.

Everything is now peaceful in Weltevreden, but clashes between the Communists and soldiers occurred in Bantam on the 10th and 17th Nov. According to reports received in Weltevreden from Laboan, it is learned that at 7 p.m., on the 15th, a group of 500 Communists, carrying white banners, paraded the town of Laboan, and made several attacks on the Government authorities. A detachment of approximately 40 soldiers, under the command of Capt. Belding, was called out. The leader of the Communists thereupon incited the Communists to attack them. The troops immediately opened an incessant and deadly fire on them. The Communists sustained numerous fatalities and quickly retreated. They have not attempted a second conflict with either the soldiers or the field-police.

## Communists to go to New Guinea.

A later message announces the decision of the Government to intern early all the leaders in New Guinea. A start is to be made with the leaders in West Java and the residents have been instructed to send in a list of Communist leaders in their territory who, in their opinion, are ripe for banishment. This list is to include all leaders irrespective of whether they have taken part in the recent riots or not.

## Native Leaders Involved.

Another important fact which has been brought to light is that the Regent of Pandelang in Bantam was apparently aware of the preparations on the part of the Communists and failed to report matters to the Government. One thing is certain and that is that it is impossible for the revolutionaries to have made their preparations without the native Government officials knowing anything of their plans. The centre of the movement was

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## NEW FIRE CHIEF AT SHANGHAI.

CAPTAIN DYSON APPOINTED  
SUCCESSOR TO MR. PETT.  
AN EXPERIENCED OFFICER.

Congratulations are extended to Capt. J. Gordon Dyson on the confirmation of his appointment as Chief Officer of the International Settlement Fire Brigade, in succession to Mr. M. W. Pett, who has been invalided out of the service, states the North China Daily News. Captain Dyson arrived in Shanghai on May 7th, 1933, as Deputy Chief Officer; and since that time, during Mr. Pett's absence on leave or through sickness, he has been in charge of the brigade for 2½ years altogether.

Capt. Dyson came to Shanghai with many years of fire brigade experience behind him, having apparently inherited from his father a liking for the work. He was born in Windsor and for seven years he was associated with the Fire Brigade of the Royal Borough, of which his father was the Chief Officer for 25 years. Later, he became Chief Officer of Sanderstead.

Capt. Dyson also served in the Windsor Company of the Volunteer Battalion of the Royal Berkshire Regiment (the 40th Foot) and, staying with them when they changed to Territorials, completed 13 years in the ranks. During the war he was gazetted with a commission from the Territorial Battalion to the 1st Regular Battalion and had his share of service overseas. He was both wounded and gassed and when he recovered was seconded to the flying branch of the service. Again he was put out of action in a bad crash and was put into the fire protection arm. Towards the end of the war he was an Assistant Inspector in this connection and from early in 1919 to 1920 he was Fire Officer for the northern and midland areas.

Capt. Dyson's next move was to Shanghai and out here he has shown himself to be not only highly efficient in his duties, but extremely popular with his subordinates and all others with whom he has come in contact. Capt. Dyson has a curious mixture of hobbies, for both soldiering and fire-fighting could be called hobbies in his earlier days, whilst he is equally enthusiastic in breeding prize bulldogs and in amateur gardening, with a special taste for dahlias. Unfortunately, recent conditions have proved somewhat disastrous both for his bulldogs and flowers and it is hoped he will have more success in the future.

"BLACK REICHSWEHR"  
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KLAPPROTH.

Judgment was delivered in Britain on November 11th in the trial of Lieutenants Schulz and Hayn and Sergeant-Major Klapproth, formerly members of the "labour companies" known as the "Black Reichswehr," for the maltreatment and attempted murder of Sergeant-Major Gadick in June, 1933. Lieutenants Schulz and Hayn were acquitted, and Klapproth (who was sentenced last week to 15 years' penal servitude for complicity in a murder) was sentenced to one year's imprisonment for inflicting dangerous injuries on Gadick.

The Court, in its findings, referred to the difficulty of removing the events of the past, with which it had had to deal in the series of cases just tried, from an atmosphere unfavourable to impartial judicial inquiry in which they had been enveloped.

A number of witnesses had been heard on the question whether Klapproth was a sort of chief executioner in a system of irregular justice and Schulz the head of the system. Their evidence had proved nothing of the kind. One of these witnesses (on whose original statements to the examining magistrate the Public Prosecutor had based his case) had been obliged to repudiate everything he had said against Schulz, and proofs promised by another had not been forthcoming.

The Court had, therefore, had to get down to the bare facts of the case. What had happened? A non-commissioned officer named Gadick had, for the sake of gain, sold munitions entrusted to him to persons (Communists) who, according to his own outlook, were his enemies, and he had betrayed those with whom he had sworn to keep faith. He was thus a contemptible person, and it was no wonder that Klapproth, who had rendered great services to the "labour companies" and to the Fatherland, became so enraged that at the first opportunity he knocked this traitor down reckless of the consequences.

The Landberg series of trials has now ended. The cases with which the Berlin Court is dealing may be postponed, as the examining magistrate has been considering whether certain disclosures at Landberg do not necessitate the reopening of the preliminary investigations.

and still is in the Regency of Pandelang; at the moment it is fairly obvious that there are two bands at work, one which is still active to the West of the Pandelang-Menes road (the so-called "labour party"), and one to the East of the same road with Pett as centre. Matters have been brewing in Bantam for a long time.

The notorious old Kishi of Tjening, who was aware of the preparations for the outbreak, has also been arrested. This is an act of some moral courage as it has always been said that if the Kishi should ever be captured Bantam would rise against the Government.

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FURTHER RESULTS OF AL FRESCO  
FETE RAFFLES.

#### COMPLETE LISTS OF THE WINNERS.

The following are the lists of the prize winners in the lotteries at the Al Fresco Fete of the Society of St. Vicent de Paul held last Sunday in the compound of the Roman Catholic Cathedral. The draws for the Motor Car and the Xmas Hamper have already been given in the Daily Press.

**American Stall.**  
1st Drawing:—1, J. M. R. Xavier; 2, F. de la Cruz; 3, T. M. Cochrane; 4, Annot; 5th, Maggie Williams.  
2nd Drawing:—1, I. M. da Costa; 2, J. M. Alves; 3, Lam Kin Sang; 4, A. Pina; 5, J. M. Alves.  
3rd Drawing:—1, David Leonard; 2, Fr. Rossi; 3, F. Granelli; 4, Ernest Osmund; 5, A. Gossio.  
4th Drawing:—1, J. M. R. Xavier; 2, Mrs. Lu Sie; 3, C. A. da Rosa; 4, Kenneth Young; 5, I. M. da Costa.  
5th Drawing:—1, Y. C. Teh; 2, Capt. G. A. Maly; 3, J. H. Wicheil; 4, A. Baptista; 5, Williams.  
6th Drawing:—1, Mrs. Spanton; 2, Gussy Tavares; 3, W. Wilkinson; 4, Mrs. W. Hall; 5, Kenneth Young.  
7th Drawing:—1, Captain Steele (A.D.C.); 2, Simon Tse Yan; 3, F. E. Gomes; 4, Simon Tse Yan; 5, C. H. Steele.  
8th Drawing:—1, Mrs. Short; 2, Chao Po Sin; 3, M. Williams; 4, Tony Botelho; 5, E. F. Lay.  
9th Drawing:—1, D. Thomas; 2, A. C. Jefferys; 3, H. Buxton; 4, Chao Po Sin; 5, J. Kotwall.  
10th Drawing:—1, F. K. Modi; 2, C. H. Miles; 3, S. A. Marcal; 4, W. Saunders; 5, E. M. Fincher.  
11th Drawing:—1, Sun Yung; 2, Mrs. J. Callaman; 3, A. Brown; 4, Mrs. Mycock; 5, G. A. Hyer.  
12th Drawing:—1, F. Samways; 2, Mrs. H. F. Yung; 3, Audrey Wicheil; 4, W. Meier; 5, A. C. T.

**American Stall—Dollar Raffle.**  
1st Drawing:—1, J. Lewis; 2, D. Fitches; 3, C. A. da Rosa; 4, A. V. S.; 5, Irene Barrera; 6, T. A. Nilson.  
2nd Drawing:—1, S. Danenberg; 2, H. Holtkamp; 3, L. A. Osmund; 4, Mrs. Budding; 5, M. Macready; 6, R. Inouye.  
3rd Drawing:—1, C. P. Marcel; 2, M. McCarthy; 3, Hetty Noronha; 4, C. H. Geta; 5, T. Naito; 6, J. Flaherty.  
4th Drawing:—1, Chui Remedios; 2, Yea C. P. S.; 3, W. Chen; 4, Joe; 5, Arthur; 6, Mengham.  
5th Drawing:—1, M. McCarthy; 2, J. Ward; 3, Lam Kin Sang; 4, Louis A. Lee; 5, P. Y. Choa; 6, Margaret Xavier.  
6th Drawing:—1, J. G. Guerrero; 2, J. V. Dodd; 3, Joseph Chan; 4, Muffie Xavier; 5, F. M. Xavier; 6, Oily and Volly.  
7th Drawing:—1, S. A. Marcal; 2, J. Flaherty; 3, E. V. M. R. De Sousa; 4, J. M. Machado; 5, J. A. Victor; 6, Dr. C. C. Wang.  
8th Drawing:—1, Ena. Danenberg; 2, E. E. Osmund; 3, Robt. Vannus (C. E. & B. Co.); 4, B. Flaherty; 5, Humana (H. Brock); 6, A. V. Remedios.  
9th Drawing:—Cancelled.  
10th Drawing:—1, F. A. Barretto; 2, F. de la Cruz; 3, Ernest Osmund; 4, H. W. Lee; 5, A. Basto; 6, Mrs. P. M. N. da Silva.  
11th Drawing:—Cancelled.  
12th Drawing:—1, U. Yok Kay; 2, Wolton; 3, C. Moss; 4, T. Santos; 5, V. Williams; 6, A. E. Carvalho.

**American Stall—Special Lottery.**  
1st prize No. 250, case of champagne, won by A. G. de Alha; 2nd prize No. 8, case of J. W. whisky, won by J. C. V. Ribeiro; 3rd prize No. 35, case of "Girl Brand" beer, won by Michael Murreles; 4th prize No. 5, 1 case of condensed milk "Eagle Brand," won by S. Akajima.  
**French Stall—Special Lottery.**  
One large dressed Xmas tree, won by Miss M. Ozorio.  
"Little Flower"—50 cents Lottery.  
1st, one canvas painted view of St. Paul, Macao, won by M. L. E. da Souza, ticket No. 175; 2nd, one unbreakable doll, won by J. Lewis, ticket No. 163; 3rd, one tea set, won by C. J. Triggs.

**"Little Flower"—Stall—Dollar Lottery.**  
1, Nydia Barretto Silva; 2, Anita Silva; 3, Nydia Silva; 4, Jessima Xavier; 5, J. Dick; 6, Elise Noronha; 7, F. J. da Luz; 8, Perpetuo; 9, R. G. Suckland; 10, M. A. Baptista; 11, Hugo Fung; 12, L. Rossi; 13, Tohy Botelho; 14, Memina Remedios; 15, Carl Bunje; 16, Dickson; 17, J. A. Nilson; 18, L. Straube; 19, A. Yuen; 20, C. Silva; 21, D. A. Rozario; 22, L. de Sousa; 23, Nydia Silva; 24, E. Leitao; 25, G. S. Angeles; 26, Ivy Fung.  
**Candy Stall.**  
1, Patrick; 2, Kiffe Tse; 3, C. Bond; 4, E. V.M.R. de Sousa; 5, D. J. Purves; 6, G. R. Razavet; 7, A. J. Frank; 8, L. Gardener; 9, H. J. Lamb; 10, G. A. Lawrence; 11, H. L. Yung; 12, M. Harding; 13, Price; 14, W. McMichael; 15, F. Dixon; 16, Simon Tse Yan; 17, G. A. Lawrence; 18, Brennan, C.P.S.; 19, E. Danenberg; 20, J. A. Nielsen; 21, Rev. J. O. Schmidt; 22, Benedict Barry.

**20 Cents Stall—Special Lottery.**  
1, L. G. Xavier; 2, J. C. V. Ribeiro; 3, J. H. Wicheil; 4, Marica Rodriguez; 5, A. M. le Cruz; 6, H. Dixon; 7, H. L. Bishop Valtorta; 8, Mrs. E. Antonio; 9, Mrs. Arthur Sousa; 10, C. A. da Rosa.  
**Guessing Competitions.**  
Goose:—Correct weight—6 lbs. 6 ozs; Mr. Fong, 9 lbs. 8 ozs, ticket No. 11.  
Ham:—Correct weight—7 lbs. 6 ozs; Mr. J. Stainfield, ticket No. 15, 7 lbs. 6 ozs.  
Sucking Pig:—Correct weight—22 lbs. 4 ozs; Mr. S. Row, ticket No. 4, 22 lbs. 0 ozs; Mr. C. W. Y. (25 Robinson Road), ticket No. 51, 22 lbs. 0 ozs.  
Turkey:—Correct weight—10 lbs. 12 ozs; Mr. J. Dalrymple (Murray Barracks), 10 lbs. 13 ozs, ticket No. 21.  
(Continued on next Column).

### "CARINTHIA" TOURISTS DOING HONG KONG.

LADY PASSENGERS OUTNUMBER  
MEN.

In the course of her second trip round the world, the big Cunarder *Carinthia* sailed into Hong Kong Harbour yesterday morning, and went alongside the wharf at Kowloon. She is the first of the season's tourist-ships to put in here.

There were 320 tourists on board, and the unusual feature of the voyage is the fact that the lady-passengers outnumbered the men.

#### Local Stores Busy.

The tourists were not long in making their way to the island after the liner had berthed, and the silk stores the jade and ivory and the curios shops were soon busy. Passing along Pedder Street, yesterday afternoon, and in the local stores, such exclamations were heard as, "Say, I guess that'll tickle you to death," and "Holy snakes, ain't that a find."

#### Doing Hong Kong.

Under the capable management of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels Tourist Bureau, the "Carinthians" were given the opportunity of enjoying to the full the best that the Colony possesses in the way of scenic beauty and entertainment.

Yesterday parties were taken round the island and the New Territories. A *Thé Danst* at the Repulse Bay Hotel was given in the evening in honour of the tourists.

#### Canton Visit Abandoned.

The visit to Canton has been cancelled owing to unsettled conditions there, but a few independent parties may make the trip on their own.

#### Havana Hurricane Encountered.

The tourists have had, with the exception of encountering the tail-end of the hurricane which played such havoc with Havana, a smooth and pleasant trip since leaving New York forty-five days ago. It was two or three days out of New York, that the *Carinthia* ran into the tail-end of the Havana hurricane, and was forced to lie at anchor for ten hours. The liner called at Cuba, Panama, Los Angeles, Honolulu, Yokohama, Tokyo and Chinwangtao. The tourists spent four days in sight seeing at Peking, going there by train from Chinwangtao.

#### Visit to Great Wall of China.

A party also visited the Great Wall of China. This part of the tour was largely due to the able management of Mr. J. P. Bourne, of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, who made the arrangements for a record train run from Chinwangtao to Peking and from there to Nankow and the Great Wall.

#### The Tourists.

Amongst those on board are Mr. Charles H. Thorne, who was formerly President of the Montgomery Ward Co. of Chicago, who is accompanied by his wife; Mr. Henry Witzmer, a recent graduate of Princeton University, a well-known sportsman, and popular in American college circles; Mrs. Daniel A. Hill, of St. Louis, accompanied by her two daughters, Miss K. O. Hill, and Miss M. E. Hill, and her son, Mr. F. K. Hill; Mr. Edward H. Inbusch, prominent banker of Milwaukee, Wis., accompanied by his wife and daughter, Miss L. E. Inbusch; Mr. Golet Gallatin, of New York and Wyoming, well-known rancher, accompanied by his family; Mrs. Minnie Olds Fay, accompanying a party of women round-the-world tourists; Miss Ethel W. Donaghue, New York's leading lady lawyer, taking her vacation in company with Mr. T. Weldon Donaghue and Mrs. E. Weldon Donaghue; Mr. and Mrs. John Glenn of Philadelphia, Mr. Glenn being head of a large chain of tea stores; Mr. J. H. Clark, one of the most prominent of Los Angeles realtors, accompanied by Mrs. Clark; and Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Kellogg. Mrs. Kellogg is connected with the Howard-Scripps newspaper organization.

The *Carinthia* will leave to-morrow afternoon for Manila, New Guinea, the Antipodes, and thence to Java—and then sail for Suez by the usual route.

The *Carinthia* is commanded by Capt. R. V. Peel, R.N.R., Mr. G. R. Dolphin, R.D., R.N.R., is staff captain, Mr. W. Duncan, R.D., R.N.R., chief engineer, and Mr. W. C. Battle, D.S.C., R.D., R.N.R., is the Chief Officer.

The cruise is controlled by the Raymond and Whitcomb Co., of Boston, and the cruise director is Mr. T. C. Joyner, assisted by Mr. L. W. Best.

A staff of eighteen is carried to arrange social affairs and sports on board, and to carry out the shore itinerary.

#### Similar Enterprises.

Next year Raymond-Whitcomb Co. are chartering a *Samaria*, also of the Cunard Line. The *Samaria* is well-known to Hong Kong, having been here several times. The vessel comes to China during March, 1928.

The next round-the-world tourist liner to put in at Hong Kong will be the *Helgeland*, which has been here before. This liner, of 28,000 tons, is due here in February. It is not expected that she will have as large a passenger list as last time, when the number was about 400.

The same month there is also due the Canadian Pacific's 25,000 tons *Empress of Scotland*, and the *Resolute*, of 20,000 tons with 400 passengers.

In March the tourist liner *Californica*, also belonging to the Cunard Line is due to arrive.

Christmas Oake:—Correct weight—10 lbs. 6 ozs; Mr. Lui Wai Chan, 10 lbs. 8 ozs, ticket No. 106; Mr. J. H. Tang, 10 lbs. 8 ozs, ticket No. 133; Mr. L. E. da Sousa, 10 lbs. 2 ozs, ticket No. 308.

### TWENTY-ONE YEARS' SERVICE.

RETIREMENT OF DR. FRESSON OF  
SHANGHAI.

PASSES THROUGH HONG KONG  
ON WAY TO FRANCE.

Dr. F. Fresson, who has been prominent in medical circles in Shanghai for the past 21 years, passed through Hong Kong on the Messageries Maritimes liner *Paul Lecoq* en route for his home in France. Dr. Fresson has retired after a period of varied activities in Shanghai, but on giving up work in the Far East career, he is, with a French colleague, going to found a surgical and tropical diseases clinic at Cannes.

Referring to Dr. Fresson's departure from China, the *North China Daily News* says:—

For the past 15 years Dr. Fresson has been on the Board of Governors of Shanghai General Hospital, and the founding of Hospital St. Marie in the French Concession owed much to his endeavours and support. He has also been a member of the Health Department of the French Municipality and surgeon for the Customs among his numerous activities. In 1919-20, Dr. Fresson was chairman of the Shanghai Medical Society.

During the four years which he served in the Great War he was on the French front throughout, either in active field service or in army hospitals, and he was twice cited for the roll of honour, as well as having received the Croix de Guerre, and membership in the Legion of Honour. He attained the rank of Major in the French Army.

In 1907, Dr. Fresson began work with Dr. Ricou for establishing a public sanitary service for the French Concession, and through their work a Municipal Public Health Office was founded which has been developing steadily up to the present time.

Dr. Fresson has been keen on a number of sports during his residence in Shanghai and it will be remembered that he was a member of the original group who in 1904 started the idea of an international walking match. Since the start he has been interested in the competition and especially in the training of competitors. For a number of years, also, he was a member of the Shanghai Yacht Club and before the war sailed with his yacht in the river events. He has been a keen member of the Rowing Club since his arrival here and rowed for two years at one time. He was one of the founders of the Cercle Sportif Français, of which he was first chairman for a period of three years, and he has been a member of the Shanghai Club for many years. In Paris, Dr. Fresson is a member of the Société de Chirurgie. He has made many friends in Shanghai and all who know him will unite in their good wishes to him for a pleasant future in the Sunny South.

### ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE.

LIGHTER RAIDED AT KOWLOON  
GODOWNS.

Shortly before midnight on Tuesday the foreman of Kowloon Godown Lighter No. 58, who was sleeping in the stern of the craft with his wife and two young daughters, was suddenly awakened by hearing cries of "search for illicit opium."

On opening his eyes he saw three men, all of whom spoke the Punti dialect, and one of whom held an electric torch. The lighter was at the time lying alongside the No. 3 wharf at Kowloon.

One of the intruders asked the foreman if he had any jewellery, and on receiving a reply in the negative, threatened to kill him with a revolver.

Two of the robbers then tied the complainant's hands behind his back, and treated the man's wife in a similar manner.

The men then searched the lighter, and after remaining on board for about three quarters of an hour left, taking with them money, jewellery and clothing, to the value of \$40.

### A CIRCUS FOR HONG KONG.

TO VISIT THE COLONY SHORTLY.

A familiar feature of English life will shortly be introduced into the Colony, although it is one which is not so often seen at Home now as a few years ago.

This will be Isakoe's circus, a band of entertainers well known throughout the Far East. There are over eighty European artists in the troupe, and this company includes a ballet of eighteen attractive singers and dancers, an orchestra of fifteen, a troupe of flying trapezists, jugglers, gymnasts, and four merry clowns.

Over twenty pedigree circus horses are included in the retinue of the circus, which has met with much success in the North, in Peking, Tientsin and Shanghai, and is due to arrive here within the next week. The opening date is not yet known, but there will be matinees on Saturdays and Sundays at 3 p.m., with nightly performance at 9.15. Booking can be made at Anderson's.

Dr. W. T. Cheung was fined \$10 at the Central Magistracy yesterday for allowing his dog to be abroad unmuzzled and for not having a licence. Dr. Cheung wrote that the animal was only five months old, and that he had only received it three days previous to the offence from Professor Anderson. Mr. Lindsell said that the age-limit was three months.

### CHINESE PSYCHOLOGY.

PUERILE STORIES RELATED BY  
DELINQUENTS.

MR. R. E. LINDSELL'S  
REMINISCENCES.

Anyone acquainted with the Hong Kong Police Courts knows something about the puerile stories, with which Chinese offenders try to prove they are not guilty of the offences preferred against them. As is well known emotion is hardly ever expressed in the Chinese physiognomy, and this is never so apparent as when a Chinese is charged at the Police Court. He tells an incredible story. He takes a long time to tell it, and gesticulates as he speaks. The Magistrate tells him that his story is a pack of lies. The offender protests. He swears he has spoken the truth.

A collection of these stories from the local Courts would fill a humorous volume. A frequenter of the Courts gets used to these tales, but occasionally one crops up, which is quite new.

In the course of his lecture on "Chinese Place Names" at the Helena May Institute on Monday night, Mr. R. E. Lindsell recited two stories which had been told him by offenders. They are amazing, and presumably the gems of many which Mr. Lindsell has been told during the years he has been a Magistrate. They give a remarkable insight into the mind of the lower class Chinese, whose psychology is certainly bewildering. What stories they must relate to each other, with the raconteur and his listeners certainly believing the whole yarn! The Western child at an early age believes in fairies, gnomes and ogres. Every story, however far-fetched is credited by the child. But the Chinese coolie has almost as much credulity as the child.

#### The Singing Thrush.

The following two stories which Mr. Lindsell related caused much hilarity amongst his audience.

Speaking of Shaukiwan, he said that bird cages were to be seen in every house. And once a Shaukiwanite told him a remarkable story.

The man was caught one night on the roof of a house in the village in the act of prying open a skylight. Certainly he was there, certainly he was about to open the skylight when he was interrupted. But he had never intended stealing anything, certainly not.

"Your Worship," he said, "I had a beautiful singing thrush of which I was very fond. The night was hot, and the bird continually twittered and disturbed my rest. I was very fond of my thrush, so I decided to take it for a walk. On the way a gust of wind blew the cage door open, and my thrush flew on to the roof of a house. Your Worship, I was very fond of my thrush, so I climbed on to the roof. Alas, my thrush was not there, and then I chanced upon the skylight and thought that my thrush had got in that way. And so I opened the skylight."

#### A Feed of Grasshoppers.

The other story related to Queen's Gardens. Mr. Lindsell after explaining the Chinese appellation, said that whenever he spoke of Queen's Gardens he thought immediately of grasshoppers.

A few years ago a Chinese was brought before him on a charge of stealing chickens. And he told the following story.

"Your Worship, I would point out to you that I am very fond of animals. That day I had met a friend, who treated me to a dinner, took me to the theatre, and gave me a meal afterwards. That was why I was so late going home, three o'clock in the morning. I was happy; my heart was overflowing with the milk of human kindness, and mark you, your Worship, I am very fond of animals. Passing a backyard in one of the streets, I heard some chickens clucking. You see I am very fond of animals, and the poor chickens were thin. And so I went to Queen's Gardens—and you know the grass is luscious there. I caught some grasshoppers, and brought them back, but being a stranger, the chickens would not take the grasshoppers from me. But I wasn't to be outdone. I procured a sack, intending to take the chickens to the Gardens so that they may feed. Ah! your Worship, I am so very fond of animals."

Mr. Lindsell did not say whether he believed the story-tellers!

### ALLEGED ARRESTS AT TIENSIN.

WAICHAOPU KNOW NOTHING  
OF IT.

An official occupying a high position in the Waichiaopu in an interview with a native news agency's representative on November 28th, gave an emphatic denial to the story circulated to the effect that the extradition of the fourteen Kuomintang members by the Tientsin British authorities to the Chinese, was negotiated between the Waichiaopu and the British Legation in Peking.

He pointed out that the Waichiaopu had received no report from the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs on the affair, neither had it negotiated with the British Minister in this connection. Cases like this were generally dealt with by the local Chinese authorities and those of the foreign Powers concerned, it was emphasized.

"Commercial Agreement": Turkey and China.

Asked as to the visit of the Turkish Chargé in Tokyo to Peking, the official said that it was made in the interests of the negotiation of a Commercial Agreement between the two countries and had no other purpose.



## THE FINAL ORDER.

WILL IT BE ENFORCED IN CANTON?

POWER VESTED IN THE POLICE AND MILITARY.

ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES OF WORKERS TO BE STOPPED.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

On Tuesday the Kuomintang General Headquarters in Canton issued an order prohibiting Labour Unions to arrest persons contrary to law, and gave the Police and the Military authorities power to prevent further unlawful activities on the part of the workers. The Kuomintang leaders responsible for this much-hoped-for order have left, or are about to leave, Canton, and local authorities will take up the duty of enforcing it. Whether or not the order will be obeyed by the Labour Union leaders remains to be seen. If it is not, it is hoped by the Cantonese generally that the local authorities will take stern measures. In this way lies some hope, in their opinion, of order being restored in the City.

Two important Kuomintang leaders—General Tan Yen Kai, Officer Commanding the 2nd Army Corps, and Mr. Chang Ching Kiang, acting Chairman of the Kuomintang in Canton during the absence of General Chiang Kai Shek, and other officials of the Kuomintang will leave Canton, by overland route, for Wuchang, to-day (Tuesday). A party of nearly 300 left Canton on Tuesday.

M. Borodin is understood to have disapproved of the suggestion of making General Li Tsai Hsin, Officer Commanding the 4th Army Corps in Canton, the Commander-in-Chief of Kwangtung, a position similar to that of Military Governor. General Li, therefore, will simply occupy the position of one of the heads of Government departments and a member of the Provincial Political Commission in Canton, after the departure of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee for Wuchang.

Coming winter and the removal of Kuomintang Headquarters to Wuchang will bring hardships upon the strikers under the protection of the Canton Strike Committee, it is feared. Despite all efforts, employment has not been procured for all who need work, and there are still some 7,000 to 8,000 depending on the free lodging houses, in addition to between 3,000 and 4,000 women and children.

## The Bank Clerks' Strike.

The managers of the banks affected by the strike of bank employees in Canton held a meeting yesterday in conjunction with the managers of the Chinese banks in Hong Kong. The Canton managers are returning to Canton to-day.

It is generally agreed that the intervention of the Kuomintang is needed to settle the dispute.

General Wu Te Chen.

General Wu Te Chen, a former Chief of Police of Canton who has been released after many months of imprisonment, has been ordered to report for duty "at the front."

## THE BANK CLERKS' STRIKE.

## FULL LIST OF DEMANDS.

The demands made by the bank clerks in Canton, who have affiliated with the Shop Employees' Union, are as follows:

1. Except the first and second managers, who are appointed by the Banks, all other bank employees must be hired from the Union.
2. No dismissal without reason; no transfer of employees from one place to another; no ill-treatment.
3. If any Bank stop business, it must pay 15 months' salary to the employees, plus 20 dollars extra for each employee.
4. If any employees fall sick while in service, the employers shall pay the hospital expenses. A compensation of 2,000 dollars shall be paid to any employee permanently disabled, and 3,000 for any employee who dies while in service.
5. The employers shall not prevent the employees from participating in demonstrations or meetings ordered by the Union. If any officials of the Union (who get no salary from it) are on leave their salary must not be reduced.
6. Salary to be increased to the following standard:

100% to salary from 10 to 20 dollars	
60% " " 21 to 30 "	
40% " " 31 to 40 "	
30% " " 41 to 50 "	
20% " " 51 to 60 "	
10% " " over 60 "	

7. Double salary for New Year.

8. 24 days' holidays each year for the employees.

9. Salary to be paid during strike period.

10. The present demands to be answered within two days.

As is known, the demands were not complied with, and the strike was declared.

## CONFERENCE AT WUCHANG.

MILITARY POLICY TO BE DISCUSSED.

M. BORODIN TO BE PRESENT.

As already announced the Nationalist leaders are to hold a conference at Wuchang on December 15th to discuss questions concerned with military operations.

The conference has been called by General Chiang Kai Shek and the Canton Gazette states that among those present will be M. Borodin.

It is reported that, besides having wired to the leaders in various provinces, and those at the front, to get ready their proposals, General Chiang has sent a telegram to the Military Headquarters in Canton to prepare proposals, and forward them to Wuchang for discussion at the conference.

After the receipt of the telegram, the Military Headquarters instructed all sections under its control to draw up their respective proposals, to be sent by aeroplane.

## A UNIFIED CHINA.

DR. C. T. WANG'S HOPE.

CHINA, GREAT BRITAIN AND U.S.A.

Dr. C. T. Wang, who passed through Hong Kong a week or so ago on his way to the Philippines, has given his views on the political situation in China to a newspaper representative.

"A whole China is nearer now than it has seemed for years," he said. "Out of the warfare which has been going on unceasingly for so long, a strong power has emerged which has as its ideal establishment of a stable government."

Dr. Wang referred to the Kuomintang, of which he has been a member for 20 years. In that time, however, he has acted in the service of the Peking Government as Minister of Foreign Affairs, Premier, head of the delegation to the Versailles Conference, and in many other important posts.

He feels that in capturing the Central China strongholds the Cantonese have put themselves in a position of vantage which means eventual victory. Wu Pei Fu and Sun Chuan Fang he regards as out of the picture. In the China United which he envisions, Manchuria will be a part, "with or without Marshal Chang Tso Lin."

"The attitude of China toward the British and Japanese should be sufficiently plain," he remarked. "There is very bitter feeling toward the British."

"Are the twenty-one demands forgotten?" he was asked.

"China never forgets," was the reply. "We may submit for a time, but our day always comes. Then we remember."

"Toward the United States we have no feeling," Dr. Wang continued. "We know the American people, as a people, are friendly. But we also know that the American nation has no policy toward China. So we have no feeling."

## A BIG HAUL OF ARMS.

CONCEALED IN A JUNK.

NINE MEN IN CUSTODY.

Further details were gleaned yesterday with regard to the big haul of arms which was made on a junk, No. 3324, by the Water Police on Tuesday evening.

It appears that when the police searched the junk, which is of the type which has two eyes painted on the bow, and which was lying in Saiwan Bay, prior to sailing from Chiuchow (Swatow), they discovered the arms cleverly hidden under about two feet of coal.

When the police boarded the junk they found it loaded with coal, rattan and general cargo. Concealed in thirty bags was a large collection of arms, mostly Mauser pistols and ammunition. The haul comprised eighteen Mauser and 21,000 rounds of ammunition. A search of the crew's quarters revealed two loaded pistols hidden under the floor of the junk's small joss altar.

It was at first thought that this haul of 23 cases of saltpetre and about 30 cases of sulphur, on board indicates that it was a smuggling deal. Nine men were found on board, and they spoke the Chiuchow dialect. Seven of these men were members of the crew and two other men are alleged to be supercargoes. They were all taken into custody, and will be brought before the Magistrate in due course. The junk was towed to the Yau-mai refuge by the Water Police launch.

## A PAIR OF BANGLES.

TENNIS COOLIE SENTENCED FOR THEFT.

At the conclusion of a tennis party at the Peak Club on Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. L. D. Joll missed a pair of silver bangles.

The bangles were later discovered by the Police in the servants' quarters at the Club, and a tennis coolie was arrested.

Charged at the Central Magistrate yesterday, the coolie said that Mrs. Joll had put the bangles on the tennis ground and left without taking them. He picked up and intended looking for the lady in order to return them to her.

Mr. Lindell did not believe defendant's story, and sentenced him to four weeks' imprisonment with hard labour.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—After perusing your report of the address delivered by Mr. Dunn in the City Hall last night, the conclusion I reached was that whatever genuine Christianity there may be in the subject he discussed, there seemed to be very little science.

And Christian Science seems to be quite a useful sort of religion too. Just consider how it cured the silly young fellow from whose lips were puffed the smoke of a hundred cigarettes per day. But may I venture to suggest that his cure (which I hope it was) was psychological and had nothing whatever to do with religion, revealed or otherwise. The foundation of Christian Science is evidently Faith, which, of course, is a good thing, a useful thing; for does it not enable one to dispose of the wearisomeness and the worry of such thought as is essential when one ponders over the marvels of Nature, of Life, of Death?—Yours sincerely,

RESIDENT.

Hong Kong, December 7th, 1926.

## "HONG KONG": ORIGIN OF THE NAME.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—In connection with Mr. R. E. Lindell's highly interesting lecture regarding local Chinese place names, and the mysterious origin of Hongkong's nomenclature, perhaps it will interest your readers to know that before the Island of Hongkong became a British Possession, its bays were the rendezvous of fishermen and pirates, the bays most frequently visited in those early days being Causeway Bay, Shaikwan, Aberdeen and Stanley.

At Causeway Bay, then the "Centre" of the Island, there was erected a small temple on the present site of the Tin Hau Temple, which was styled the "Hung Heung Loo" (紅香樓) Temple, i.e., the Temple of the Red Incense Tripod, where the fishermen and pirates went to worship and burn incense (香), whenever they returned from their roving expeditions. Even at the present day the Tin Hau Temple is styled the Temple of the Red Incense Tripod, and Hongkong may yet adopt the Red Incense Tripod as its emblem.

This little temple originally contained a red incense tripod in which the worshippers inserted their incense and big sticks of sandalwood. Consequently the place became to be known as "Hung Heung Loo," just as Kellet Island (Kellet Island) and doublets owing to the act of worshipping and the fragrant smell (Heung) from the burning incense and sandalwood, the locality and its neighbourhood subsequently derived its name of Heung (香) Kong (港)—(Hong Kong, i.e., Fragrant Harbour)—the place for burning incense (i.e., worshipping).

Many writers have represented the Chinese characters "Heung" and "Kong" as meaning "Fragrant Streams," but I venture to suggest that a more appropriate translation would be "Fragrant Harbour."

"Kong" (港) means a harbour or a bay suitable for anchoring ships and junks, and it is difficult to reconcile the words "Streams" or "Lagoon" as a suitable equivalent or translation of this Chinese character.—Yours truly,

TSE TSAN TAI.

Hong Kong, December 7th, 1926.

## EARL HAIG'S POPPY FUND.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—Since my letter of the 8th inst. I have received a draft in aid of the above fund for £28 7s. 5d. from Mr. A. E. Clayton, Secretary and Treasurer of the "Sons of Britain Society" in Chiofo. This sum represents the collection taken at the Church Service and the proceeds of sale of "mushit" poppies made by the British ladies in Chiofo.—Yours faithfully,

J. A. GORDON LEASK,  
Hon. Secretary,  
"Poppy Day" Sub-Committee.  
Hong Kong, December 8th, 1926.

## UNLICENSED DENTIST.

PATIENT SUPPLIED BY THE POLICE.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday, a Chinese was charged with practising as a dentist without a licence from the Principal Civil Medical Officer.

Sub-Inspector Fallon, who prosecuted, said that the matter had come to the knowledge of the Police, and a detective was sent to defendant's address.

Defendant said that he was registered as a dentist in Canton. He had not brought his papers to Hong Kong, because at first he had no intention of practising in the Colony.

Sub-Inspector Fallon informed the Magistrate that the prosecution did not allege that the defendant had inflicted any harm.

On being fined \$100, defendant said he could only pay \$25. The alternative was two months' imprisonment.

## A FORGED ORDER.

BRUNNER MOND &amp; CO. AS PLAINTIFFS.

DEFENDANTS WIN.

In a case at the Summary Court yesterday, in which Brunner Mond & Co., were the plaintiffs, it was agreed by the solicitors on both sides that a delivery order had been forged. The defendants were Messrs. Cheung Wo, of 133, Des Vaux Road Central.

Plaintiffs, represented by Mr. H. J. Armstrong, claimed \$67.81 being balance of the price of goods sold and delivered to the defendants, represented by Mr. L. D. Turner.

Mr. Armstrong said that the deal was in connection with 100 lengths of iron piping. Defendants had dealt with plaintiffs for many years. Following an order by telephone, which was the usual procedure, the goods were delivered on June 26th on presentation of the chopped delivery order.

Mr. Turner held that 65 lengths only were delivered.

Replying to Mr. Turner, an employee of the plaintiff Company denied that he had only delivered 65 lengths. Witness was handed a delivery order, and Mr. Turner said that both he and Mr. Turner agreed that the signature, dates and figures were a forgery. Witness agreed that there were sometimes mistakes on the orders.

Mr. H. F. Westlake, assistant to the plaintiff firm, said that he was doubtful as to the genuineness of the signature on the order produced, and that there had certainly been other alterations since he wrote it.

Mr. Justice Wood gave judgment for defendants, and remarked that he was of opinion that the delivery order was a forgery.

## ROAD CONSTRUCTION.

LECTURE AT THE INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS.

## THE VALUE OF ASPHALT.

Before a large attendance at the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders yesterday evening, Mr. Frank D. Van Horn (late Superintendent of Highways, New York City, U.S.A.) lectured on Road Construction.

## "Top of the Tree."

Mr. J. Ormiston (the President of the Institution) presided, and in introducing the lecturer said he was sure that those present would enjoy Mr. Van Horn's paper as he was at the "top of the tree" in his profession, and had had a very wide experience extending over 33 years in many parts of the world, in addition to the important work he supervised in the New York City.

The Hon. Mr. Cross, the Director of Public Works, said Mr. Ormiston had written expressing his inability to attend, owing to a previous engagement which he could not postpone. They were, however, glad to welcome Mr. Goldsmith, the Assistant Director, who was an extremely well-known authority on Road Construction. (Applause.)

Mr. Van Horn prefaced his lecture with analysing briefly the value and necessity of roadways. Before the advent of the automobile, he said, roads were constructed in the old fashioned way, and were known as Macadam Roads. They were, however, rapidly disintegrated owing to the use of heavy traffic. The motor car and lorry had come to stay, and it had been realized for some time that the motor truck industry had always been one step ahead of the Road Engineer. Road legislation limited the loads which motor vehicles should carry, there would never have been an end to the race between the Road Engineer and the Motor Lorry Industry.

## Engineers Searching the World.

Referring to Mr. H. E. Goldsmith's (Assistant Director of the Hong Kong P.W.D.) latest work on "Practical Road Engineering," Mr. Van Horn said engineers had been searching the world for a material with which to construct roads that would meet the requirements specified by Mr. Goldsmith.

Many materials had been tried, and with the exception of asphalt all had been found wanting in one respect or another. Many claims had been put forward for cement, but the lecturer cited the arguments of some American authorities, proving that cement concrete roads had not proved durable.

Asphalt, continued Mr. Van Horn, was not affected either by moisture or the elements. The first recorded use of the material was as far back as 3000 B.C. when it was used by the Pre-Babylonian inhabitants of the Euphrates Valley. It was also used by the Ancient Egyptians and the Greeks. It was first used in London in 1836, and in 1893 the first modern asphalt pavement was laid on Threadneedle Street, near Fench Lane. It was introduced into America in 1870. During 1895 more than two million tons of asphalt was sold. Records showed that asphalt roads laid over thirty years ago were still in excellent condition.

At the conclusion Mr. Van Horn was warmly applauded, and a vote of thanks was tendered to him for his very able address.

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THE Board having declared a FINAL DIVIDEND of 5% (five per cent) free of Income Tax, for the Year ending 30th JUNE, 1926. Holders of Bearer Shares and Holders of Dividend Warrants received from London on account of Registered Shares, will be paid their Dividends on presenting No. 39 Coupon of the Bearer Shares, and Dividend Warrants on Registered Shares, to either of the following Banks:

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THE KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION. [4278]

## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

COMPANIES WINDING UP  
No. 3 of 1926

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCES, 1911-1925,  
AND  
IN THE MATTER OF THE RUSSO-ASIATIC BANK.

BY Order of the Court dated the 4th DAY OF DECEMBER, 1926, the OFFICIAL RECEIVER of the Supreme Court, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, has been appointed Liquidator of the above Bank without a Committee of Inspection with powers limited as provided by the Order of the Court dated the 23rd DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1926, whereby he was appointed Provisional Liquidator.  
Dated the 8th day of December, 1926.  
E. L. AGASSIZ,  
[4277] Official Receiver and Liquidator.

## THE CHINA LIGHT &amp; POWER COMPANY, (1918), LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Head Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 30th DECEMBER, 1926, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Manager for the year ended 30th SEPTEMBER, 1926, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, 14th DECEMBER, 1926, until THURSDAY, 23rd DECEMBER, 1926, both days inclusive.  
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General Managers,  
Hong Kong, 8th December, 1926. [4279]

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Dated the 5th day of December, 1926. [4280]

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## INTIMATIONS.

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JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER, Solicitors, etc.,  
Princes Building,  
8th December, 1926. [4287]

## CHINESE CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

ACTING under Instructions from the Inspector General of Customs, I have this Day Taken Over Charge of the CHINESE MARITIME CUSTOMS FOR KOWLOON AND DISTRICT from Mr. W. O. LAW, Deputy Commissioner in charge ad interim.  
F. HAYLEY BELL, Commissioner.  
Office of Chinese Maritime Customs For Kowloon and District, York Buildings, Hong Kong, 7th December, 1926. [4273]

## ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

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THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR begins on DECEMBER 13th. Entrance Examination for New Boys, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11th at 9.30 a.m. For Prospectus for Boarders and Day-boys, apply to ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, PROSPECT PLACE. [4162]

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PAUL LAT DEE, General Manager,  
Hong Kong, 22nd November, 1926. [4213]

## THE BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION (HONG KONG BRANCH).

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the above Association will be held at 5.30 P.M. on TUESDAY NEXT, 14th DECEMBER, in St. John's Cathedral Hall.  
His Excellency the GOVERNOR, Chief Scout of Hong Kong, will preside.

- AGENDA—  
1.—To receive and adopt the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts.  
2.—To form a Colonial Scout Council to promote the welfare of the Scout Association in Hong Kong.  
3.—To deal with any other business which may arise.

(Signed) A. WHITE, Hon. Association Secretary. [4271]

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## MARRIAGE.

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Hong Kong Office: 1A, Chater Road.

London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, DECEMBER 8th, 1926.

## THE OPPORTUNITY OF THE

## NATIONALIST GOVERNMENT.

The Canton Gazette during the past week or so has been good enough to devote a considerable amount of space to a critical analysis of the opinions expressed in various articles appearing in the Daily Press. We are, of course, the supporters, or, alternatively, the hirelings of an Imperialist regime and, as a consequence, everything we say is suspect. That is recognised and we make all due allowance for this atmosphere of distrust which unfortunately enshrouds Hong Kong and Canton at the present time. But even so, the amount of ingenuity displayed by the Gazette in uncovering base designs and discovering motives which do not exist is remarkable. A few days ago we referred to the desirability of co-operation between the Nationalist Government and this Colony in a raid upon Bias Bay and pointed out the effect such co-operation would have on public opinion both at home and abroad. There is no doubt it would be tremendous and would bring, as we said, more prestige and goodwill to the Nationalist cause than a dozen victories in the North would do. It is a wonderful opportunity which the Canton officials should seize with both hands, for if they could only read the signs and

portents aught they would realise that their greatest need at the moment is to strengthen the half-formed opinion of the world that they represent a responsible Government capable of establishing law and order throughout the Country.

If they can only persuade the Foreign Powers that they can govern in the real sense of the word, recognition would follow and they would be in a fair way towards realising, quickly and easily, their greatest ambitions. An attack, in conjunction with Great Britain, on the pirates' headquarters would be a great step in this direction.

Although the Canton Gazette holds out some hope that the co-operation, as outlined above, may be realised, it still has to go hunting for "the nigger in the wood-pile." It says that the suppression of the labour movement and nothing less is what the Daily Press insists upon as a condition of co-operation, and adds that a demand for the suppression of the student and peasant movements will follow. It imagines that the "suppression and liquidation of the Chinese National Revolutionary movements are the conditions sine qua non on which British Imperialism desires to co-operate with the Nationalist Government." Nothing could be further from the truth.

For the benefit of our Canton contemporary we will explain quite frankly the present position in Great Britain as regards China. There is a distinct cleavage of opinion as there usually is upon any political question of importance. One party, as represented by the China Association, are urging the Cabinet to recognise the Nationalist Government and to promise that Treaties shall be revised and that Tariff Autonomy shall be granted. Another party, for whom the Daily Telegraph speaks, urges that "recognition of Canton would give the crowning touch of folly and confusion to the diplomatic record of the Treaty Powers for the past few years." A period of tranquillity in the South and a suggestion of sound and sober Government would strengthen the hands of the first party; a continuance of disorder, a recurrence of attacks upon merchants carrying on legitimate trade will support and lend point to the arguments of the other side. It is for Canton to decide which course she will follow. It is for the Nationalist officials to consider whether they will gain their ends more quickly by a policy of "stand and deliver" or by demonstrating their capacity in sound administration.

There is no wish in all this "to suppress the Chinese National Revolutionary movement" or to oppose the demands of the workers for better conditions. England has had experience of labour troubles and has just come through a great coal strike which did incalculable injury to trade and industry. But the miners did not get the police to aid and abet them in terrorising and intimidating peaceful citizens. The members of Mr. Baldwin's Government did not join hands with the Union leaders in fomenting discontent and disorder. Primarily the dispute was between employers and employees; the Government maintained peace and saw to it that neither side was victimised; freedom of the individual was guaranteed. That is the task of the Nationalist Government of China. If it sets its mind to it and accomplishes it successfully it will be recognised as such by the Powers. The Canton Gazette points out that a proposal is gaining way among foreign imperialists to divide the country into many local governments and then to extend to each government a species of recognition with such stipulations and reservations as are possible when treating with such local authorities. It deprecates any such procedure and states that when the new British Minister meets Mr. EUGENE CHEN in Hankow he will be authoritatively informed of the policy of the Nationalist Government. The British Minister, on his part, would probably inform Mr. CHEN that Great Britain has no interest in dividing up the Country and no interest in either the North or South as such. Its one great and paramount interest is the establishment of some stable administration which will accept full responsibility for peace and order in the territory over which it holds sway.

On Tuesday one Chinese case of diphtheria and two Chinese cases of enteric fever were reported.

Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, Deputy Superintendent of Police, is returning from Home leave by the a.s. Malwa.

The hearing of the case against the alleged Sunning pirates will be continued at the Central Magistracy at 11 a.m. and 2.15 p.m. to-day.

News has been received in Ipoh of the death of Mr. Richard Mole, at one time editor of the Times of Malaya, at his home in Trinidad.

A Chinese Seamen's Club at No. 20A, Praya East, was raided by police detectives on Tuesday, and a number of documents were seized. One man was detained.

A European seaman was taken in custody yesterday at about 3.15 p.m. for being drunk and disorderly at the corner of the Pedder Street and Des Vaux Road.

There will be a public lecture at the Helena May Institute on Wednesday, December 15th, at 5.30 p.m. given by Capt. Miles on "Wireless Telegraphy and Telephony." Admission free.—ADVT.

The manager of a rice retail shop at Hau Wo Lane was fined \$50 at the Central Magistracy yesterday for giving short weight to a customer. The trowels used were stated to be several catties short of the standard weight.

Mr. E. S. C. Brooks, of No. 8, Queen's Gardens, was summoned before Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday for allowing his dog to wander abroad without a muzzle. As the defendant did not appear in Court, the summons was adjourned for a week.

We have received from Messrs. MacKinnon, MacKinnon & Co. an effective wall calendar showing the B.L. liner Varsavia and the P. & O. liner Ramak at Bombay. The customary diary and almanack advertising these two lines have also been issued.

There was a drop of over 20 degrees in the temperature yesterday, and Hong Kong had its first cold day this winter. At 2 p.m. on Tuesday the temperature was 74, and yesterday morning it had dropped to 53 and 49 on the Peak. At 2 p.m. the temperature was 59.

For the second year in succession St. George's Society is not holding the annual ball, which was to take place on Twelfth Night, January 6th—due, it is said to the depressed conditions and the poor response of the members. It was not held last year owing to the death of Queen Alexandra.

The 8th annual meeting of the China Light and Power Company (1918), Ltd., will be held at the offices of the general manager, St. George's Building, at 11.30 a.m. on December 23rd (for the year ended September 30th). Transfer books will be closed from December 14th to December 23rd inclusive.

A Chinese woman was removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital on Tuesday suffering from a nasty wound in the head, inflicted with a meat chopper. The case is stated to be the outcome of a domestic dispute, the woman's husband being now in the custody of the Yau-mai police on a charge of attempted murder.

Last night a very successful effort was made at the Peak Club on behalf of the Peak Branch funds of the Ministering Children's League. The function held was a masked fancy dress-dance, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Many and varied costumes were worn, although fancy dress was optional.

Letters of administration in connection with the estate of Mr. Harry Austen Belden of Middletown, New York, who died on October 30th, 1925, have been granted locally to Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, the lawfully appointed attorney of deceased's widow, who is the sole executrix. Deceased left \$10,400 in the Colony.

Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Yorke Tyrwhitt, K.C.B., D.S.O., the new Commander-in-Chief of the China Station in succession to Admiral Sir Edwyn Alexander Sinclair, K.C.B., M.V.O., has sailed for Hong Kong on the P. & O. s.s. *Alcora*, which left London on December 3rd. The new Commander-in-Chief is accompanied by Lady Tyrwhitt, his two daughters and a secretary.

Among the local residents expected to arrive to-morrow on the P. & O. *Malwa* are Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, Capt. and Mrs. P. Bell-Smith, Mr. A. V. Baker, Mr. C. W. C. Bishop, Mr. C. P. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bell, Mrs. H. Balcarras, Mr. B. Montague Ede and Mrs. Ede, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Handyside, Mrs. A. O. Lang, Mr. A. R. Sutherland, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Reid.

The case in which the owners of the steamer *Pa Sang* were summoned for allowing their vessel to be used for the conveyance of opium was adjourned at the Central Magistracy for a week, pending the return of the vessel. The application for adjournment was made by Mr. Horace Lo, of Messrs. Lo & Lo, who made his first appearance in a local Court following his recent admission as a solicitor.

The master of a cargo junk, which left Shaokwan for Ping Hoi, Bias Bay, last month, has reported to the local police that his craft was pirated on the evening of November 24th, when about five or six miles from Ping Hoi, by five men who boarded the junk from another junk.

The five pirates were armed, and they left three armed confederates on their own junk. The pirates stole a basket of clothing and the master's licence.



## THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

## LATEST NEWS FROM THE NORTH.

## WIDE INTEREST BEING MANIFESTED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, December 7th.

Parliament's interest in the situation in China was further evidenced today by a meeting of Members of the House of Commons and Members of the House of Lords, in the Commons, under the presidency of Gen. Hilton Young, at which Mr. E. M. Gull, late Secretary of the British Chamber of Commerce, Shanghai, who has recently returned home from China, made a statement on the position.

## Suggestion for the British Government.

After Mr. Gull's speech, Mr. L. N. Leefe (formerly of Hong Kong), on behalf of the China Committee, suggested that the British Government should adopt the suggestion that the British diplomatic representative in China inform the Cantonese Government, that directly restores peace and good order in the territory it governs and terminates all boycotts and strikes against foreigners it will be recognised by the Powers, and that Peking and Canton should be informed simultaneously that the existing Treaties will be revised when responsible Governments are established in the north and south, but that until the Treaties are revised both Governments will be required to recognise existing Treaties. Further, that tariff autonomy should be extended to North and South China as from January 1st, 1928 or 1929 or some convenient date, and that both Governments should in the interval take the necessary steps to abolish internal taxation. Lastly, if both Governments desire, the Powers will be prepared forthwith to cancel the sanctuary now extended to Chinese subjects in foreign Concessions and Settlements.

## FRENCH TROOPS' MOVEMENTS.

PARIS, December 7th.

In the Chamber of Deputies, replying to an interpellation with regard to the movements of troops, M. Painleve, War Secretary, declared that no soldier had left or would leave for China.

Troops from Morocco had returned to the South-Eastern districts of France, from whence they had mostly been taken. That, naturally, involved movements of troops in districts concerned, because units must be redistributed, but the Deputies need not have the slightest anxiety thereabout.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

## U.S. PRESS COMMENT.

WASHINGTON, December 7th.

It is suggested in certain quarters that Britain has purposely exaggerated the Bolshevik menace in China. On the contrary the most responsible section of the Press is fully alive to the implications of troops in districts concerned, because units must be redistributed, but the Deputies need not have the slightest anxiety thereabout.

The *New York Times*, in an editorial, emphasises that while Russians are encouraging China to throw off the yoke of the foreign imperialists, Russia, of all foreign nations in China, has interfered most in the internal affairs of China during the past few years.

## "WAIT AND SEE."

WASHINGTON, December 7th.

The critical situation in China is being most closely watched. The official view is that any sort of armed intervention by the United States is out of the question. The State Department's attitude is "wait and see."

## U.S.A.'s Attitude.

President Coolidge in his annual message to Congress, referring to the Peking Tariff Conference, says: "We are prepared to resume negotiations whenever the Government representing the Chinese people and acting on their behalf presents itself. The fact that constant warfare between contending Chinese factions has rendered it impossible to bring these negotiations to a successful conclusion is a matter of deep regret. Throughout the conflicts we have maintained a position of most careful neutrality, and our naval vessels in Asiatic waters pursuant to Treaty rights have been used only to protect American citizens."

President Coolidge stated that the report of the Extra-Territoriality Commission was being studied with a view to determining United States policy in the future.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

## ANTI-BRITISH MOVE FAILS AT HANKOW.

HANKOW, December 7th.

The situation generally is more tranquil. Following the withdrawal of the naval guards yesterday, the Volunteers were withdrawn this morning.

Yesterday's meeting to establish the Society to Overthrow the British proved an utter fiasco, owing to most intense opposition by the Chambers of Commerce and other responsible Chinese.

Representatives of the Political Bureau, the Unions and the workers of the British Cigarette Company, which has closed down its factories owing to recent labour troubles, are forming a committee to discuss the question of the maintenance of these workers. It is stated that the Political Bureau is contributing \$5,000, while the Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Company, a rival concern, is contributing \$2,000 and proposes to employ the B.O.C. strikers.

## FROM THE WAR AREA.

## SOOCHOW'S SYMPATHY FOR SOUTH.

## HOPES OF RELIEF FROM MILITARY BURDEN.

This whole section of lower Kiangsu, says the *N.C. Daily News*, has suffered a good deal from what might be termed "forced feeding," as the Chambers of Commerce of the many cities and towns have not willingly fed the thousands of soldiers that have been quartered on the various cities and towns. For example, the small walled city of Wukiang, 12 miles to the south of Soochow, with a population less than 15,000, has been forced to feed at least 5,000 soldiers during the last two weeks.

Two months ago there was locally much favourable comment on the advance of the Southerners, then as Sun began to take action, one heard these comments only in private; but lately one hears comments even more publicly expressed than they were in September and early October. "One would rather that at least 80, and perhaps 90 per cent. of the average people were in favour of the Southerners, and hoping they may soon have Kiangsu and all China in their power. According to the opinion of the average man, Hankow, Kiukiang, and the provinces up the river, have almost established the millennium!"

In spite of threatened war, and all the spirit of unrest, it would seem that Soochow's business is better than it has been in over two years; and there is certainly a very large amount of building and city improvements under way.

## MARSHAL WU AND HIS SUBORDINATES.

## CONFLICTING REPORTS.

The changed attitude of the Fengtien and Shantung parties with reference to the reinforcement of Kiangsu province is due to the fact that the Generals under the command of Marshal Wu Pei Fu has determined to propose peace as a result of a conference with the Southern leaders, says *Shun Tien Shih Pao* on November 30th.

Trains and cars have been commandeered by these Generals, and troops are being sent North instead of South, it is said. This move has caused the Fengtien party to put aside, if not actually abandon, war plans against the South.

A Nanking message says that the brigade under General Chang Tze Ying has been ordered to return from Hsiankuan to Pukow.

The removal of General Chang's men indicates that no Shantung troops will go to the south bank of the Yangtze. The *Shih Pao* refutes the rumour of the desertion of Marshal Wu's generals to the Southern cause.

In this connection, it produces a telegram from the Chihli Warlord to General Yen Shi Shan of Shansi, in which Marshal Wu states that as a result of the recent Chengchow conference, his leaders are more determined than ever to recapture Wuchang and Hankow and push back the invading Cantonese.

## BANDITS AND FAMINE.

## PITIFUL CONDITIONS IN ANHUI.

Pochow has just gone through another experience illustrating the pitiful state in which the interior people live, says the *N.C. Daily News*. A few days ago word arrived that Wu Pei Fu was trying to get rid of the bandits in Honan. Pochow naturally feared that if the bandits were pressed in Honan, they might congregate here. The small gates were all closed, and there was a run on the banks. Consequently soldiers had to guard the streets leading to the banks, and soon the gates were ordered to be re-opened.

Another illustration of the suffering of business, the Standard Oil Company's agent who formerly had his central station in Chowkiakow, 240 li west of here, in Honan, has now planned to establish his central place for assembling his collections and for distributing the company's products, here at Pochow, though this is entirely out of his territory. This man reports further that Chowkiakow was far more completely destroyed than was Pochow; in fact, he said, it was entirely burned. Besides the oil that was in hand, and which the company lost, he said that he sustained not less than \$30,000 personal loss, and the kidnapping of his mother, who was got back from the hands of the robbers dead.

## Rain Destroys Crops.

Reliable reports from the territory extending in every direction from Pochow for some 300 li, are to the effect that the crops were so damaged by the summer and heavy rain that the suffering in winter and spring is bound to be well nigh beyond description. Much of the land is not yet, and will not be, planted with wheat, which means the continuation of hard times.

In one place north-east from here, it is said that the rains this summer have exceeded those of any in the memory of even the oldest residents. Five years ago it was thought that 120 cash a catty for the best flour was alarming. But already the best flour has sold here for 260 cash and this seems to be about the price throughout this district.

## Pale Stricken Refugees.

Refugees, in great numbers, are passing in almost every direction all of them seeming to believe that the "conditions are better over yonder," and yet they are seeking in all but despair for that needed help to keep the wolf away. One man passing said that he owned 150 mu of land, with some tiled and some straw houses, and now he was left without food or a dwelling place. The roads have been almost past travel nearly all the time since July. All business is poor.

## BRITISH AIRCRAFT FOR JAPAN.

## ORDER FOR TWENTY-FIVE PASSENGER AIR-LINERS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, December 8th.

The newspapers announce that a British firm has received a Japanese contract for twenty-five passenger air-liners of a thousand horse-power each to operate on air lines to be opened in Japan next year. Further orders for a military type of aeroplane will be placed in Britain by Japan.

All the machines will be driven by two Napier engines, adds a British Wireless message.

## P. &amp; O. REPORT.

## OIL BURNERS FOR THE CO.'S FLEET.

## OPTIMISTIC AS TO CHINA.

LONDON, December 7th.

The P. & O. Company's report for the year ended September 30th last shows a credit balance of \$919,000 as compared with \$953,000 in the previous year. \$274,000 is placed to Reserve for the redemption of debentures, and \$133,000 is carried forward.

The report mentions that the *s.s. Hsiao* of 2,000 tons was damaged by a Japanese bomber and it is proposed, similarly, to convert the *Narkunda* and *Naidera* as soon as possible.

The Company's business in China has been greatly interfered with but it is considered that things will improve soon. With regard to the Company's Indian affairs, the year has been one of great difficulty, but the outlook is now brighter.

The Directors have nominated Sir Geoffrey Robe Clarke to a seat on the board.

## BRITISH COAL INDUSTRY.

## EXPORT RESTRICTIONS REMOVED.

LONDON, December 7th.

In the House of Commons, the Minister of Mines stated that permits were no longer required for the exportation of coal, except for anthracite and coke, which depended on the state of the stocks in the country.

## STEAMER COLLISION.

## OIL TANKER BADLY HOLED.

GILBERTALBA, December 7th.

The oil tanker *Texas*, from Port Arthur to Genoa, has been in collision and is badly holed on the port side. She is making water, but has arrived safely in port.

## VIOLENT EARTH TREMORS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

JOHANNESBURG, December 7th.

A series of violent earth tremors shook the land this morning and residents were greatly alarmed.

One European and three natives were killed. Seven natives were seriously injured in two severe rock bursts in the Wolfontier Gold Mine.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

## BRITISH TRADE UNION LAW. QUESTION AS TO ITS REVISION.

RUGBY, December 7th.

The Cabinet to-morrow will have under consideration the proposals for Trade Union legislation in the form of the report presented by the Cabinet Committee.

In well-informed political quarters, it is stated that there is as yet no Bill for detailed examination, and it will be with major principles that the meeting will be concerned. The revision of Trade Union law is recognised in Government circles as presenting great difficulties and requiring very careful handling, for Trade Union law goes to the roots of the British industrial system. Any alteration will therefore have to have most mature consideration.

## ROYAL TOUR.

## DUKE AND DUCHESS OF YORK ENTERTAINED.

RUGBY, December 7th.

The Duke and Duchess of York, who sail shortly for Australia and New Zealand, were the guests to-day of the Australia and New Zealand Luncheon Club in London.

The Duke expressed pleasant anticipations of his visit. Particularly, he counted it a very high honour, as the King's representative, to open the new capital of the Commonwealth, which he trusted would inaugurate a new period of prosperity and development for Australia and her people. His Royal Highness added:—"The Duchess and I are longing to see the wonders of your country, and to meet your people in their homes."

## EMPIRE FILMS.

## MINIMUM QUOTA TO BE FIXED BY PARLIAMENT.

## FOR CINEMAS IN BRITAIN.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, December 8th.

It is understood that the Government will introduce legislation next session imposing requirements for exhibition of a minimum quota of Empire films at cinema theatres in Britain. This was one of the proposals advanced by the Imperial Conference for increasing the proportion of such films shown within the Empire. Probably the quota will at the outset be fixed at five per cent.

## BULGARIAN REFUGEES' SETTLEMENT SCHEME.

RUGBY, December 8th.

The League Council yesterday received the first report of the Charren League Commissioner for the Bulgarian refugees' settlement scheme. An advance of £400,000 by the Bank of England has made it possible to supply seed for Autumn sowing in many pressing cases and refugees from several countries are working side by side. As an example M. Vandervelde mentioned that a Belgian post was working between two German posts of co-operation in humanitarian works which the League is assisting. Most of the difficulties regarding the settlement in districts bordering on other states have been overcome.

## MYSTERIOUS AFFAIR.

## LADY WRITER'S SUDDEN DISAPPEARANCE.

RUGBY, December 7th.

A search is being made for Mrs. Agatha Christie, the well-known writer of detective stories, who has been missing since Friday evening.

Mrs. Christie left her home at Sunningdale, in Berkshire, in her motor-car and was last seen in it the same evening at Newlands Corner on the Surrey Downs. Next morning, the car was found abandoned at the same spot.

Mrs. Christie recently had a nervous breakdown. The Downs have been thoroughly scoured and to-day an aeroplane assisted by flying low over the wooded country. When night fell, the search was still fruitless.

## BRITISH MERCANTILE MARINE. A PROPOSED WAR MEMORIAL.

RUGBY, December 7th.

Mr. Gosling, leader of the Transport Workers' Union, introduced in the House of Commons a Bill conferring on the Imperial War Graves Commission power to erect a memorial to officers and men of the Mercantile Marine who perished in the late war. He suggested that Stepney, a riverside borough in East London, would be a suitable site.

The Bill, which is backed by the Premier and the Labour and Liberal leaders, was read a first time amid cheers.

## WIRELESS PROGRESS.

## NEW BEAM STATIONS.

RUGBY, December 7th.

Questioned regarding the wireless beam stations, Lord Wolmer, Under-Secretary of the Post Office, stated that the agreement with the Marconi Company provided for the erection in this country, on behalf of the Post Office, of beam stations communicating with corresponding stations in Canada, Australia, South Africa and India. The stations for the Anglo-Canadian service were now operating. The stations for the Anglo-Australian service were under preliminary trials and were expected to be ready for their final tests in a few weeks. The stations for the Anglo-South African and Anglo-Indian services would, it was hoped, be completed early in the New Year.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

## BALKAN DIFFERENCES.

## ITALIAN "INTERFERENCE" RESENTED.

BELGRADE, December 7th.

The Yugo-Slavian Cabinet has resigned in order to draw attention to its protest to Europe against the recently concluded Italo-Albanian Pact, which provides for the maintenance of the Albanian *status quo* and undertakes to submit unsettled questions to arbitration.

The Pact is attacked on the ground that it was signed behind Yugo-Slavia's back and is disloyal to all the Balkan States, especially to Yugo-Slavia. Italian interference in Balkan affairs is resented.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

## DESTRUCTIVE STORMS.

## A DOZEN SCHOONERS SUFFER ON CANADIAN-ATLANTIC COAST.

HALIFAX, December 7th.

A storm on the Canadian-Atlantic coast has resulted in a dozen schooners being lost or driven ashore. The damage is estimated at half-a-million dollars.

## GERMAN ARMAMENTS.

## THE QUESTION OF LEAGUE SUPERVISION.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, December 8th.

Sir Cecil Hurst, M. Fromaget and Herr Gans, British, French and German jurists whose collaboration prior to the Locarno Conference proved so effective, are now engaged together upon the procedure to be proposed to the League Council for the future League supervision of German armaments.

The newspapers consider that before the end of the week the date of withdrawal from Germany of the Allied Commission of Control is likely to be fixed.

The *Daily News* Geneva correspondent says that this is perhaps an optimistic reading of the situation and new obstacles may possibly arise, but general goodwill has been manifested and delegates are certainly hopeful.

## MEXICO AND AMERICA.

## STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT CALLES.

## MEXICO'S AIMS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MEXICO CITY, December 7th.

In a statement, which President Calles has published, strongly denying the charges of Bolshevism brought against the Mexican Government and declaring that the accusations are due to a slanderous propaganda carried on in the United States for the purpose of discrediting Mexico, he declares that Mexico is only fighting to set her house in order, not to spread exotic philosophies outside her borders or intrigue against the security of the Panama Canal.

Labour and Madame Kollontay.

The Regional Confederation of Labour has forbidden all demonstrations in honour of Madame Kollontay, the new Soviet Minister to Mexico. The officials of the Confederation say that it is not connected with Soviet Trade Unions.

## U.S. PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

## ENORMOUS BUDGET SURPLUS.

## REDUCTION OF TAXATION PROBABLE.

WASHINGTON, December 7th.

In his annual message to Congress President Coolidge pleads for economy, but suggests that a portion of the Budget surplus estimated at \$383,000,000 be used to reduce the burden of taxation. He says that Customs receipts for the present fiscal year are estimated to be over \$615,000,000, which is a record. He points out that 65 per cent. of the imports are duty free. The United States admitted a greater volume of free imports than any other country except Britain. In view of the agitation for a reduction of tariffs, there does not seem to be a very large field within the area of American imports, in which probable reductions would be advantageous to foreign goods. Sufficient funds were pledged to finance the storage and carrying of 4,000,000 bales of cotton, but no method of meeting the situation would be adequate which did not contemplate a reduction of about one-third of the acreage in the coming year.

The rubber industry in the Philippines should be encouraged.

## "WORLD'S RICHEST COUNTRY."

## IMPROVED POSITION IN U.S.

WASHINGTON, December 7th.

The Secretary of Labour, Mr. Davies, in his annual departmental report, says that owing to the growing practice of resorting to conciliatory and mediatory action in trade disputes, the number of American Labour controversies is diminishing. The workers fully share in the prosperity of America, which is today the richest country that ever existed, and, hopeless poverty, except among the aged and infirm, is almost unknown.

The administration of the immigration laws in 1925 is described as most satisfactory since Congress adopted the limitation policy in 1921. The number of immigrants excluded after a long journey to America has been reduced to a minimum, due partly to stationing United States medical and immigration inspectors abroad.

## SOCONY'S DIVIDENDS.

## ENORMOUS FIGURES.

NEW YORK, December 7th.

The dividends of the Standard Oil Companies for the fourth quarter of 1925 amounted to \$61,166,456 which is \$19,062,297 more than in the final quarter of 1925.

The total dividends for the whole of 1925 are thus slightly under \$200,000,000, or, roughly, \$46,000,000 above the total for 1925.

## BIG AMERICAN CONCERNS.

## A CORPORATION WITH 3,200 SHOPS.

NEW YORK, December 7th.

The United Cigar Stores and the Schulte Retail Stores Corporation, whose assets exceed \$100,000,000, have reached a working agreement, through the recently organized Union, and the United Tobacco Corporation, whose capital is \$250,000,000. The new Corporation now controls 3,200 shops.

## EMPIRE MARKETS.

## BRITISH MOTOR MANUFACTURERS ALERT.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, December 8th.

As a result of the conference yesterday with the Prime Ministers of Australia and New Zealand and the representatives of India and South Africa, British motor manufacturers have decided to despatch an expert delegation to explore the position in the Empire markets and to report to the industry on any steps necessary to meet overseas requirements.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The death has occurred at Batu Gajah Hospital of Mr. Scott Cranston, a prospector, who recently arrived at Singapore from Perak.

The Singapore *Government Gazette* records with deep regret the death of Miss E. F. Fletcher, Matron at the General Hospital, Singapore.

Mr. N. S. Zephyroff, Shanghai manager of the Chinese Eastern Railway, has returned to Shanghai by the *Dairen Maru* after a month's trip through Manchuria.

The Governor of the Straits Settlements has approved the promotion of the following officers to be Supernumerary Officers in Class III of the Malayan Civil Service, with effect from November 28th, 1926, inclusive:—Messrs. F. K. Wilson, G. C. Dodd, O. E. Venables, H. F. Monk, E. E. F. Pretty and C. W. A. Sennett.

The Shanghai Labour Union, having settled down in their new quarters, has issued a manifesto which states that the union represents some 500,000 workers and they will fight for their rights against "certain imperialistic capitalists" until the workers are treated on an equality with other classes, "as in Canton."

The Stock Exchange Committee has decided that the following shall be the Settlement Days for the year 1927:—Tuesday, January 25th; Tuesday, February 22nd; Tuesday, March 29th; Tuesday, April 26th; Thursday, May 24th; Tuesday, June 23rd; Tuesday, July 28th; Tuesday, August 23rd; Monday, September 23rd; Tuesday, October 25th; Tuesday, November 24th; Tuesday, December 20th.

Three robbers were captured by the Chinese police, Shanghai, in a tea-shop last week by novel means. The police had learned that the tea-shop was being used by bad characters to plan their robberies and several detectives were sent to the place dressed as hawkers. They overheard the plot of the three men and immediately placed them under arrest. The men admitted several crimes and also implicated several other men and a woman. The latter was arrested and the arrest of the men is also expected.

Bookings are now open at Anderson's for the Christmas Matinees which are to be given at the Theatre Royal on Wednesday, December 22nd, and Thursday, December 23rd. Part one of the programme, has previously mentioned in these columns, will be the performance of the Pastoral Play "On Zephyr's Wings," arranged by Mrs. Chater, which was successfully presented at the recent M.O.L. Fête at Government House. Miss Violet Capell is responsible for the arrangement of the dances which are admirably performed by some of her pupils. The second part of the programme will comprise "Christmas Revels," arranged by Mrs. Russell-Brown.

A report made to the police by the Dollar Steamship Company states that jewellery, clothing and money, to the total value of \$793 was stolen from different cabins on the saloon deck of the *s.s. President Van Duren* while this vessel was lying alongside the Hong Kong and Kowloon Godown Company's Wharf on November 23rd. The theft was not discovered until after the vessel left port last week, hence the late arrival of details from Shanghai. Up to yesterday afternoon the local police had not traced the stolen goods. The missing articles include one small watch with the monogram "G.E." on the back, a gold bracelet, one gold wedding ring set with ten small diamonds, valued at \$300; one pair of pearl ear-rings set in white gold mountings, valued at \$300; a cigarette case and clothing, money, etc.

## "THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER."

## HOME SECRETARY UNABLE TO STOP U.S. FILM.

A deputation representing eleven patriotic organisations waited on the Home Secretary, Sir William Joynson-Hicks, recently, to ask him to stop the release of the American film, "The Unknown Soldier," during Armistice week.

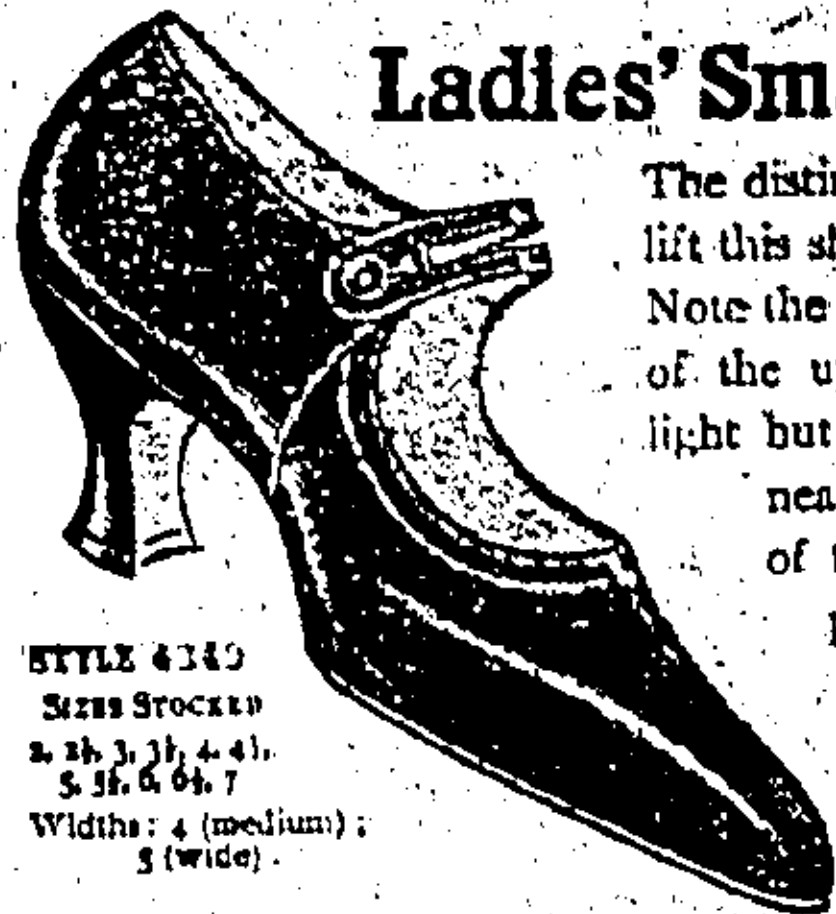
Mr. R. Wilson, of the British Empire Union, said it was not in the interests of the British Empire for a film to be shown, such as the American film "The Best People," which depicted an English lord as a coward and a fool being kicked out of the room many times by the weedy son of an American millionaire, whom 99 out of every hundred Briton could put across their knees and smack.

The Home Secretary, in reply, expressed sympathy with the deputation, but said he had no power to intervene.



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## FOOTBALL.

### INTERPORT PRACTICE GAMES.

BLUES 4, WHITES 3.

To select a representative team to meet Shanghai at the Chinese New Year, the first of a series of games was played on the Club ground yesterday and resulted in a win for the Blues over the Whites by the odd goals in seven.

Several players new to Interport football were tried and among those who were prominent were: Davey (Borderers) and C. F. Remedios (Recreio). Several changes from the advertised teams were made.

### YESTERDAY'S HOCKEY.

CLUB v. ROYAL ARTILLERY.

A GOOD GAME AT KOWLOON.

There was an excellent game on the United Services Recreation Club ground at Kowloon yesterday afternoon, when the Hong Kong Hockey Club 1st eleven were only just defeated by the Hong Kong and Singapore Brigade Royal Artillery by five goals to four goals.

The game was in the nature of a final practice match prior to the Club playing the Navy and the Army during the next four weeks in the competition for the Sim Shield. Although the Club do not expect to pull this trophy off, they will certainly be in a position to put up a very good game.

E. L. Sim and A. A. Dand played well at half; and S. H. Garrod was very safe in goal. G. B. Slipper and G. L. Wheeler also shone in the forward line. It might be said that the whole team played far better game than was expected, and their form promises well for the forthcoming contest against the Services already referred to.

At half time the Club had not scored, the R.A. were then leading by two goals to nil. E. D. Evans scored first for the Club, from a pass by Slipper, and later the Club added another goal through Wheeler. The score went to 4-2 and then to 4-3, and when the final whistle blew the score was 5-4 for the R.A. G. F. Lammett scored the last two goals for the Club.

### The Sim Shield.

Teams representing the Army and the Navy will meet in the second game in the Sim Shield Competition on the U.S.R.C. ground this afternoon, the "bully off" being at 4.15.

Last week the Navy won by two goals to one goal.

The Hong Kong Hockey Club will meet the Navy next Wednesday and the following Wednesday; and the Army the following two Wednesday in the same competition.

On Tuesday afternoon the Hong Kong and Singapore Royal Artillery defeated the second eleven of the Hong Kong Hockey Club by three goals to one at King's Park.

## CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. 2nd XI v. H.K. ELECTRIC CLUB.

The following will play for the Hong Kong Cricket Club Second Eleven against the Hong Kong Electric Club in a friendly match on the Club ground on Saturday:—H. C. Burgess (captain), E. Benson, M. D. G. Hoare, F. D. Humphreys, M. W. Lee, D. E. G. Nicholson, K. Plummer, G. W. Sewell, E. J. V. K. Stevenson, G. R. Vallack, and B. A. Wadson.

## SUNDAY TENNIS.

MIXED MATCH BETWEEN C.C.C. CLUB DE RECREIO.

Last Sunday the Club de Recreio played their first mixed doubles match against another Club of the Colony, the Kowloon Cricket Club, which defeated them by 145 games to 107.

Next Sunday the Recreio are participating in another mixed doubles match. This will be at Happy Valley, where the Portuguese players will try their skill against a mixed team selected from players at the Craigiegowrie Cricket Club.

At the time of writing the respective teams had not been chosen, but the match is timed to commence at 3 p.m.

## 700 H.P. MOTOR-CAR.

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The most powerful motor-car the world has ever seen, which is being built by Mr. Malcolm Campbell, is now nearing completion, says the Daily Mail. When finished it will have taken a year and a half to build and will have cost its owner about £28,000. The giant 12-cylinder engine, which occupies most of the car, is a Napier-Lion built for use in aeroplanes and rated officially at 450-h.p., but developing approximately 700-h.p. at the peak of its engine revolutions.

Mr. Campbell's ambition is to travel at a speed of 180 miles an hour, or three miles a minute. The existing fastest speed record, 170 miles an hour, was set up this year by Mr. J. G. Parry Thomas on "Babe," rated at 250-h.p.

So much power has never been crammed into a motor-car before, though the Sunbeam Company is busy at work evolving a 1,000-h.p. racing car. In fact the car is a mass of machinery enclosed in a body that is fixed down to the closest possible limits in order to cheat the wind. There are only two places in England where the car can be safely unleashed—Pendine sands, Carmarthen-shire, or Southport sands, Lancashire.

## LOCAL GOLF NEWS.

### THE CAPTAIN'S CUP DRAW.

MANILA INTERPORT INVITATION ACCEPTED.

The principal topic in local golf circles at the present moment is "Who will win the Championship of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club?" Last year's champion, H. U. Ireland, failed to qualify for the first round, and A. H. Ferguson, who, for two years running has won the Jasper Clark Cup, after first tying with I. W. Shewan, with a score of 164, has failed to survive the first round. Ferguson, who was the only player in the semi-final stage last year who qualified for the first round this year, and was looked upon as a likely semi-finalist, and possibly to reach the final stage, failed to get through. If he had he would have met Shewan in the second round. The semi-finalists now are Shewan v. Dunbar; and N. L. Smith v. Pendered.

The semi-finals will be decided next Sunday. It is difficult to forecast the winners, but on paper it looks as if Shewan will win his match, but as to Smith and Pendered both are experienced golfers, and both have figured in interport sides. It will be a toss up either way, with the odds slightly in favour of Pendered. The final takes place on Sunday, December 19th, over 36 holes, and should prove an excellent match.

The Governor's Shield competition is gradually progressing toward the more interesting stages, and the results to date have already appeared this week. The first round has been furnished and part of the second round, but there still remains four matches to be played off before the third round can be completed. The third round, by the way, has to be finished by January 1st, and the semi-finals by January 15th. The date of the final is January 20th.

The draw for the Captain's Cup (1926) match stage play has been made. The draw, with handicaps in parenthesis is given below. W. L. Plev (9) v. J. S. MacLaren (12) get byes into the second round; while the draw for the first round reads:—A. P. Purves (7) v. H. K. Valentine (9); C. A. Middleton Smith (18) v. J. L. Shellshear (9); A. O. Brown (13) v. A. Leach (11); D. G. Bruce (10) v. T. S. Whyte Smith (12). I. W. Shewan (1) v. A. B. Raworth (9) receive byes into the second round. The first round has to be completed on or before December 28th; the second round on or before January 16th; the third round by January 30th; and the final has to be played on February 13th. Players should arrange before starting what they will do if they are all square after the 18 holes over which play is to take place.

The draw for match play in the Denison Cup Competition at Deep Water Bay, was made last week. At that time, the dates for playing off this competition had not been fixed. They have now been arranged as under:—Match stage play will be over 18 holes—the first round to be played on or before December 28th; the second round by January 16th; and the final by January 31st. Play will take place on Deep Water Bay handicaps, which are three-quarters of the Fanning handicaps. Players should arrange before starting what they will do if they are all square after 18 holes. The draw for this competition is as under:—A. H. Ferguson v. R. O. Earle, C. A. Middleton Smith v. F. J. de Rone, W. Ironside v. J. S. MacLaren, A. K. Henderson v. J. W. Franks.

Reference was made yesterday to the fact that the annual meeting of the Hong Kong Golf Club will be held next Thursday. The meeting will take place in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., but prior to this meeting, there will be an extraordinary general meeting at which certain articles of Association will be altered. This alteration chiefly consists of the substitution of the word "Captain" for that of "President." This resolution, if passed, will be confirmed at a subsequent meeting.

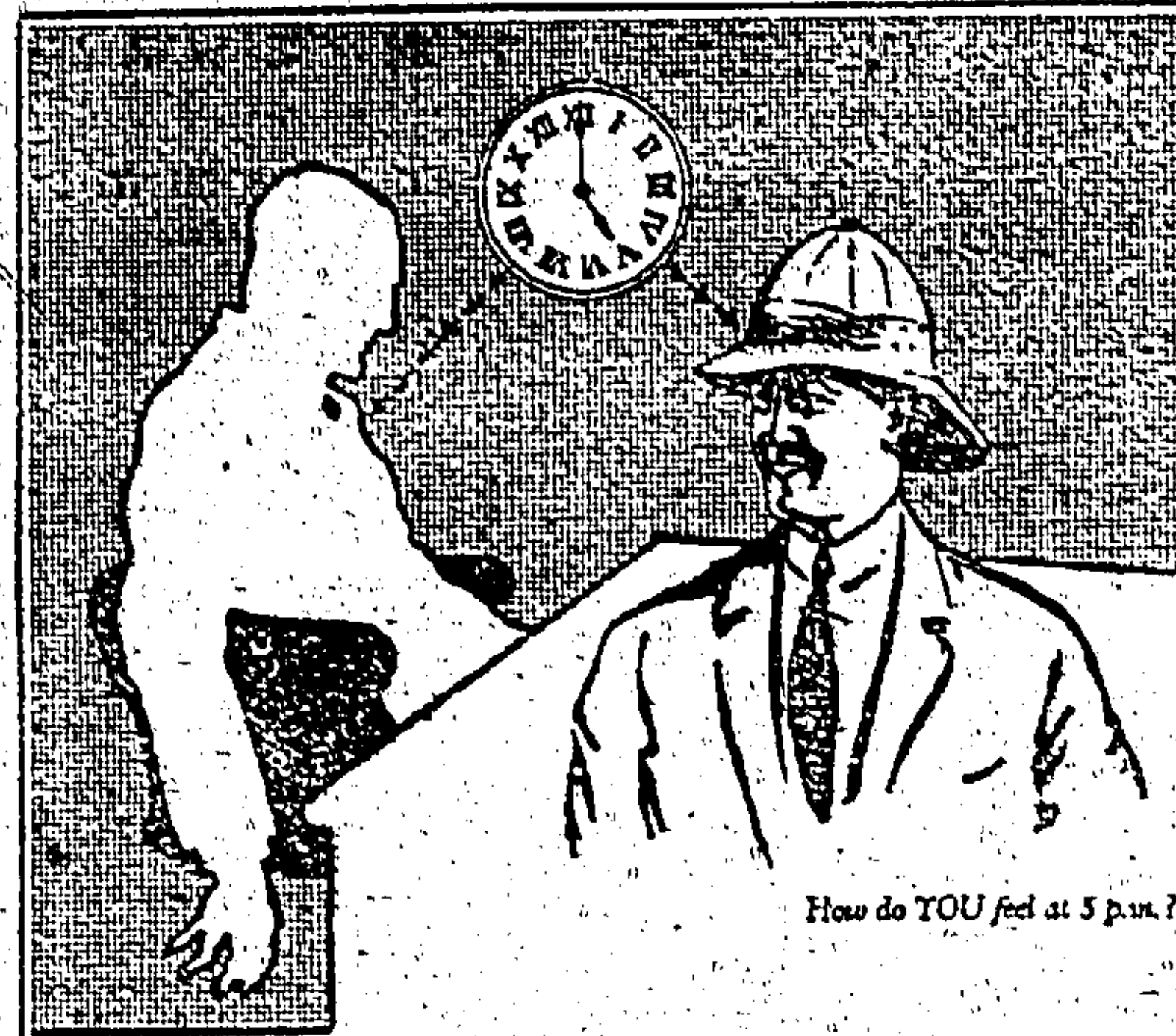
It has been decided that the subscriptions for captains of sea-going ships shall be £2 for each seven days or part of seven days that such ships are reported to be in Hong Kong. The maximum subscription is not to exceed £7 in one month.

As mentioned last week, the fixture list for 1927 has been prepared. It is based on the same lines as the current fixture card, the dates of the principal competitions falling approximately around the same dates as before. This fixture list has been submitted to the Committee of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club who have approved of it, as drawn up. The list will be circulated to members by the end of the current year.

The officers of the King's Own Scottish Borderers have been granted permission to hold regimental competitions at Fanning on any day with the exception of Sundays, Wednesday and Saturdays, or on Public Holidays.

The Committee of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club have accepted the invitation received from Manila to send a team for an interport match at Manila in China New Year. Players are now to be written to regarding the possibility of their going to Manila on this occasion.

The annual report, which is to be presented at the annual meeting next week, is now ready, and will be circulated to members shortly.



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"MANTUA"	10,902	5th March	Marseilles and London.
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"KALWAN"	10,941	19th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MONSIEUR"	10,941	26th March	Marseilles and London.
"MACDONIA"	11,000	2nd April	Marseilles and London.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	9th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Rotterdam.
"KALWAN"	9,144	16th April	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"DELTA"	8,097	23rd April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KILVA"	10,941	30th April	Marseilles and London.
"KILVA"	9,144	7th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MONSIEUR"	10,941	14th May	Marseilles and London.

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### BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS

"TALAMBA"	8,018	8th Dec., Noon	Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.
"TALMA"	10,000	15th Dec.	do.
"SHIRALA"	7,841	22nd Dec.	do.
"TAKLIWA"	7,906	2nd Jan.	do.
"TAKADA"	8,449	9th Jan.	do.

### EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (SOUTH)

"ST. ALBANS"	4,400	3rd Dec.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island.
"ARAFURA"	4,400	10th Dec.	Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"LANA"	4,400	17th Dec.	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,400	24th Dec.	do.
"ARAFURA"	4,400	31st Dec.	do.
"TAKADA"	8,449	7th Jan.	do.

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### SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

"MALWA"	10,914	10th Dec., 4 p.m.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"NYANZA"	7,023	17th Dec., 4 p.m.	Moji and Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,854	24th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TAKLIWA"	7,906	31st Dec.	Kobe.
"TAKADA"	8,449	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	4,400	14th Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"LANA"	4,400	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,400	28th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	4,400	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TAKADA"	8,449	11th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,914	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"NYANZA"	7,023	25th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,854	4th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TAKLIWA"	7,906	11th March	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"TAKADA"	8,449	18th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	4,400	25th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"LANA"	4,400	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,400	8th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	4,400	15th April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.

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"OANFA"	...	Via Suez Canal, 14th January.
"CYCLOPS"	...	Via Suez Canal, 21st January.

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HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	"TAIPEI"	On 10th Dec.	Noon.
SHANGHAI	"SZKOUEN"	On 11th Dec.	6 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI, TSINGTAO & DALNY	"KANOW"	On 13th Dec.	10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KAYING"	On 13th Dec.	10 a.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"SHANTUNG"	On 14th Dec.	6 a.m.
WHAIRAI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"KUEIHOW"	On 14th Dec.	6 a.m.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANHUI"	On 14th Dec.	6 a.m.
HANGKOK	"CHINESE"	On 15th Dec.	6 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"NANNING"	On 16th Dec.	10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"HINKIANG"	On 15th Dec.	6 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI, TSINGTAO & DALNY	"LUCHOW"	On 16th Dec.	10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KALGAN"	On 19th Dec.	10 a.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"HUIYANG"	On 21st Dec.	6 a.m.
BANGKOK	"KWANGTUNG"	On 21st Dec.	6 a.m.

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